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- DECISION-

Decision No.:

946-BR-89

Date:

October 27, 1989

Claimant:

Robert F. Englemeyer

Appeal No.:

8908811

S. S. No.:

Employer:

Anne Arundel Co. Public Schoolso. No.:

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c/o Gibbens Company

Appellant:

CLAIMANT

Issue:

Whether the claimant is eligible for benefits within the meaning of Section 4(f) of the law.

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FOR THE CLAIMANT:

FOR THE EMPLOYER:

REVIEW ON THE RECORD

Upon review of the record in this case, the Board of Appeals affirms the decision of the Hearing Examiner but disagrees with some of his reasoning.

The Hearing Examiner incorrectly concluded that the phrase "in any such capacity" in Section 4(f)(3) requires the performance of service in the successive academic term to be of the exact same nature as the service previously performed. The Board disagrees. As long as the reasonable assurance is for service "in an instructional, research or principal administrative capacity," the Board concludes that that requirement of Section 4(f)(3) is fulfilled.

Further, the Hearing Examiner added an additional requirement that reasonable assurance be for a job "that would be appropriate." This requirement is not contained in the statute.

The Board does agree, however, that the claimant should not be disqualified under Section 4(f)(3), based on the fact that prior to the summer of 1989, the claimant had been a twelve month employee. As the Board has held in prior decisions, involving similar facts, this is not the case of unemployment during a period between two successive terms or during an established vacation period, comtemplated by Section 4(f). See, e.g., Geary v. Board of Education of Baltimore County, 876-BR-89; see also, Ritchie v. Allegany County Board of Education, 205-BR-85.

For this reason, the decision of the Hearing Examiner is affirmed.

DECISION

The claimant did not have reasonable assurance of returning to work for the employer within the meaning of Section 4(f)(3) of the Maryland Unemployment Insurance Law. No disqualification is imposed based on his service to the Anne Arundel County School System.

The decision of the Hearing Examiner is affirmed.

Associate Member

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